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In re application of: Efstathiou et al.

Art Unit: 1644

Application No. 09/617,178

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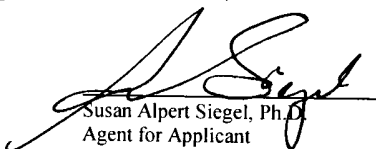
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For: VIRAL PROTEIN BINDING
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS

Examiner: Jessica Roark, Ph.D.

Date: January 2, 2003


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Washington, DC 20231**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the application referenced above.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the application referenced above was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- ☐ Previously submitted
- ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ☐ Other _____
- ☒ Enclosed
- ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☒ Other: Six sheets of drawings

Miscellaneous

- ☐ Petition for suspension of action on the application referenced above is under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- ☐ Other:

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FILING FEE

For	No. after amendment	No. paid for previously	Present Extra	Rate	Fee
Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e)					\$375.00
Total Claims	22	- 20*	= 2	\$9.00	\$ 18.00
Indep. Claims	1	- 3**	= 0	\$42.00	\$ 0.00
Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid)				\$140.00	
One-month Extension of Time				\$55.00	
Two-month Extension of Time				\$205.00	
Three-month Extension of Time				\$465.00	\$465.00
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$858.00

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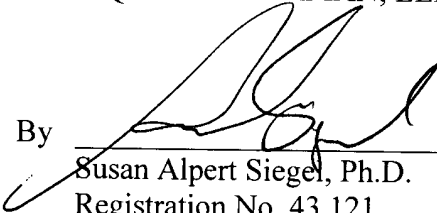
** greater of three or number for which fee has been paid.

- ☒ Applicant petitions for an extension of time for the number of months indicated above. If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$858.00 is attached.
- ☐ Charge to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A **triplicate** copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with filing this amendment and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Please return the enclosed postcard to confirm that the items listed above have been received.

Respectfully submitted,

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